

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2026

10:30AM

Welcome to Worship at Memorial United Methodist Church.

Once the centering music begins, please be quiet.
Conversations can be heard over livestream.

Music to Center Ourselves *A Lenten Prelude* (Troutman)

Welcome to Worship and The Wave

*Call to Worship

Come into the light of God.

Christ's brightness will guide our way.

Come into the wisdom of God.

The Spirit's insight will reveal new truths.

Come into the praise of God.

Worship opens new doors in our hearts.

*Hymn *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* UMH 206

Epistle reading Ephesians 5:8-14 Kathy Young

Anthem *At the Cross Love Ran Red* Jubilee Choir
(by Redman, Myrin, Tomlin, Cash, Armstrong)

*Gospel reading John 9:1-42

*Hymn *Open Our Eyes, Lord* TFWS 2086

Children's Time and Noisy Offering for Heifer Project International

Message Pastor Terri Branstrom

*Hymn *Amazing Grace* UMH 378

Offering Our Gifts and Commitments

Offertory *Meditation on "St. Flavian"* (Portman)

Ushers will pass the offering plates to receive today's offering and any prayer requests (please write requests on the green cards found in the pews). You may also make financial contributions on the square reader in the fellowship area, or online on our website.

*Doxology: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

*Offering Prayer

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Song *There Is a Balm in Gilead* UMH 375

*Departing Blessing

Music for Going Forth *Lento* (Troutman)

* The asterisk indicates times in worship where we're invited to stand.

Please join us after worship for coffee and conversation.

Assisting Today

Altar Guild: Val Johnson

Counters: Susan Lagina and Peggy Richter

Projection: The Messina and Marquette families

Snacks: Kuhlman family

Greeters / Ushers: Wilma Vanderdonck and John Myers

Easter Lilies If you would like to honor or remember someone this Easter with lilies, please fill out a purple form from the long table by the front door and bring it to the office **by Wednesday, April 1**. Then bring your flowers by Easter.



The Lent-Easter offering will go to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. This fund is used to help individuals who need assistance with possibly part of a utility bill, gasoline to get to an appointment in Marquette, etc. Anything you give marked "Lent," "Maundy Thursday," "Good Friday," or "Easter" will go into this fund.

UMCOR Sunday seeks to increase awareness and support for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Gifts marked "UMCOR Sunday" play a vital role in enhancing the church's global humanitarian response because these funds cover UMCOR's administrative costs. This support ensures that 100% of donations given to UMCOR throughout the rest of the year can be directed toward on-the-ground relief and recovery efforts, allowing UMCOR to effectively respond to crises and provide assistance where it's needed most.

By investing in UMCOR's operations, we empower the church to mobilize resources quickly and efficiently, making a meaningful impact in communities affected by disaster and hardship around the world. Your donation helps us continue this vital ministry.

New Study: *Knowing Who We Are: The Wesleyan Way of Grace.*
 The United Methodist story is a story of God's love. In *Knowing Who We Are*, Lacey Warner invites you to a rich understanding of Wesleyan Christianity and the values, beliefs, and practices that grow from it. You'll learn about its beginnings as a renewal movement saturated with God's grace. You'll learn about the United Methodist legacy of compassion, care, and active response to injustice in the world. Most of all, you'll find a way of being Christian that fills you with joy, moves you to follow Jesus wholeheartedly, and spurs you to live with compassion and grace. If you would like to read this book on your own or discuss it in a group with other people, please contact Lisa for a copy.

TODAY 1:30 Worship at Lakeview Assisted Living with choir

MONDAY 5:30 Bible Study

WEDNESDAY Lifeline Screening in the gym
 9:00 Knitting and Crocheting
 5:30 Soup Supper
 6:00 Julie Mallard, the Executive Director of United Way, speaking about school readiness
 7:00 Choir practice

THURSDAY 4:30 Church Council
 7:00 Band practice

FRIDAY 5:00 Game Night

NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 Worship

MARCH 25 5:30 Soup Supper
 6:00 Bob Hazen, an elder of Lac Vieux Desert Chippewa Tribe and a survivor of Native American boarding schools.

MARCH 29 10:30 Palm Sunday service – children process with palms

APRIL 2 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday service with communion

APRIL 3 7 p.m. Good Friday service

APRIL 5 7 a.m. Sunrise Service
 10:30 Easter Celebration service with communion



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Prayer List

New Concerns

Devin Messina
 Marc Tall
 Tony
 Tom Greis
 John Buckley

Recent Concerns

Family of Judith Pomeroy
 Family of Jeffrey Bizeau
 Family of Ross Guertin

Ongoing Concerns

Pray for all wars to stop.	Lorna Benson	Brian Wood
Beth and Sarah Benson	Kim Bessonon	Eileen Wittenmore
Tom and Alice Butch	Pat Clark	Leona Williams
Richard Demeuse	Bette DeRoeck	Pam Thorbahn
Roger Finnegan	Ian Goldi	Adam Haberstitch
Lettie Houghton	Ron Houle	Mary Hubbard
Dora and Andy Leonard	Richard Hull	Berta Johnson
Christopher Lund	Toni Marchese	Beverly Martin
Beverly McCarley	Ryan Minor	Elijah Moffitt
David McCarley	Betty Nyquist	Helen Palo
Margaret Richard	John Rector	Josiah Pryor
Elizabeth Peltz Richardson	Debbie Rosen	
Lisa Richer Barta	Mark West	

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How do I know if worship is cancelled? Please check TV6 and Radio Results Network. You can also call Lisa's cell phone 420-1311. Lisa will also send out text messages to those she has cell numbers for.